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Today's Weather: Moderate easterly winds, fairly cloudy or drizzly.
Notes: Observations: Barometric pressure, 1005.5 mbs. 29.99 in. Temperature, 78 deg. F. Dew point, 66 deg. F. Relative humidity, 83%. Wind direction, E. Wind force, 14 knots. High water: 5 ft. 3 in. at 4.55 p.m. Low water: 1 ft. 5 in. at 2.09 a.m. (S&S)

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COMMONWEALTH EXPERTS TO CONFER ON JAP PEACE TREATY

Does Not Fear A War

The Hague, Apr. 27.—Dr. P. C. Visser, former Dutch Ambassador to Russia, who has just returned to Holland, said here today that he did not fear a war in the next few years as this "could never be in the fully understood interest of the Soviet Union, because everyone knows that the West does not want war."

STRIKING DOCKERS WARNED

London, Apr. 27.—The London Dock Board tonight warned 14,422 unofficial strikers that unless they return to work on Monday they will lose the right to a guaranteed minimum wage of £4 10s. weekly.

The Board, whose decision was understood to have the Labour Government's approval, controls all London dock workers.

It is in a joint body representing both employers and trade unions and charged with administering the dock labour scheme in the interests of all concerned.

Over 5,000 service-men are already moving cargoes and this number will increase to a total of 22,000 on Saturday, May 6.

The strike began last week over three men expelled from the union for their part in last summer's unofficial dock stoppage in support of the Canadian seamen's dispute.—Reuter.

Britons To Visit Russia

London, Apr. 27.—Two parties of British trade unionists left London by air today to tour Communist countries.

One party of factory workers is to spend a fortnight in Russia at the invitation of Moscow trade unions.

The other, comprising eight trade union officials, is to visit Yugoslavia.—Reuter.

Famed U.S. General's Objections

London, Apr. 27.—Arrangements for the organisation of the Commonwealth Working Party on the Far Eastern peace treaty, which opens in London on May 1, are now completed, it was learned today.

The meeting, which is expected to last between two and three weeks, will be held in the Cabinet offices. Either the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, or the Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, Mr. Patrick Gordon-Walker, is expected to preside over the opening session.

This will be attended by the High Commissioners of Commonwealth countries.

The British delegation to the talks, which are the outcome of a decision taken last January at the Colombo Conference, will include experts summoned as they are needed from various Government departments.

Foreign Office and Commonwealth Relations Office officials will supply the permanent nucleus of the delegation.

A Foreign Office spokesman today emphasised that the talks are for the exchange and clarification of views and are not expected to produce a definite Commonwealth draft for a Far Eastern peace treaty.

What is aimed at is understood to be an agreed report for submission to Governments by the respective Commonwealth delegations.

Latest information from Washington suggests that the United States is also not yet at the stage of having a draft peace treaty. It was recalled here that reported differences between the State Department and the Defence Department in Washington last year disappointed expectations that a United States draft might have been available before the Colombo conference as a basis of discussion.

BRITISH APPROACH

The British approach to the Far Eastern treaty is based on the belief that all those countries who played a major part in the war against Japan or suffered gravely from Japanese aggression should be given full participation in peace treaty discussions.

In practice, this would amount to the members of the Far Eastern Commission, of which Burma and Pakistan are now members.

The position of Ceylon, India, and Malaya is not yet clearly defined.

Britain, a Foreign Office spokesman stated, has no desire for a harsh treaty with Japan and will base her approach on recognition of Japan's need to trade abroad in order to support her population of 80,000,000.

The British view is that the Japanese war potential should be limited on security grounds and that her mercantile marine should be of a nature and tonnage which would not make it possible for her to convert it to war use.

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Pondering The Gambit



Pensively, the youngest competitor in the chess championship for girls held in St Bride's Institute, concentrates on the play. She is Miriam Allwright of Finchley and is six years of age. (London Express Service).

JAPANESE INTENTIONS

Ousting Of All Foreign Interests Predicted

London, Apr. 27.—The Japanese Government intends to oust all foreign interests and restore old totalitarianism in Japan, The Times reported from Tokyo today.

Headlined "Resurgence of Japan," the report said that everywhere in Japan there is evidence of keenness to play a leading part in international affairs. "Above all there is growing determination to compete completely unfettered in international markets and recapture a large portion of world markets."

It added that in great commercial centres like Tokyo and Osaka, resentment against foreigners, particularly traders, is noticeable.

It said, "Since the Allied Headquarters restored the right of customs inspection there have been instances in which Japanese inspectors search highly respected members of the foreign community."

The Times report said the Japanese police also are planning to impede the activities of foreigners once the occupation of Japan has ended. It said, "They have already begun to pry into the private lives of foreigners with a view to re-establishing their borders."

The report warned that despite the difficulties confronting Japan, many British markets will be Japanese markets before long.

"The manager of a textile plant made it clear that the revival of the Japanese textile industry was just beginning. Industrialists and politicians here frequently speak of surprises that are in store for Lancashire."

The report said that at present business is restrained by regulation relating to labour conditions but it is not expected that these will long survive the end of occupation. "It can hardly be doubted that the ultimate aim of the government is to put an end to foreign activities in Japan preparatory to restoring the old totalitarianism."—United Press.

Lloyds Cut Far East Rates

London, Apr. 27.—Lloyds take a more optimistic view of political conditions in North China. In connection with the Institute of London Underwriters, they have lowered their rates for insurance against damage to shipping due to war and strikes, riots, and "civil commotion" from 30 shillings per £100 value to 20 shillings.

The change applies to the area north of Shanghai up to and including Tientsin and Dairen.

Premiums for losses to shipplant from the sea causes while en route to, from, or between ports in Japan, have been cut from three shillings per £100 to one shilling and six pence.—United Press.

Syrian Cabinet Crisis

Damascus, Apr. 27.—Ahram (Syrian), Minister of National Defence and a prominent figure in the Syrian Cabinet, resigned followed a strong debate in the Cabinet last night.

A Ministerial crisis is expected.—Reuter.

Violence Flares In New York Rally

New York, Apr. 27.—Five thousand high school students staged a riotous demonstration at the City Hall today, overturning cars and harassing the police who blocked their entry to the building.

The students were among 35,000 who left classes throughout the city to attend noisy demonstrations in protest against the curtailment of teacher-supervised after-school activities.

Violence flared at Foley Square, where police lines were set up to keep students out of the City Hall. Seven times the police pushed jeering students back across the square and each time they fought their way back. The police refrained from using their truncheons and instead mounted police broke up the students' charges with their horses.

"One girl was trampled by a policeman's horse and one horse was stuck with a pin in an effort to make him unsaddle his rider. One student threw a knife at a mounted policeman and others threw bricks in an attempt to frighten the horses."

Chiang Kai-shek Feared To Be Treading On Dangerous Ground

SEEKING AIR BASES IN KOREA

London, Apr. 27.—Reports from responsible authorities in Tokyo and Formosa indicate that Chiang Kai-shek is seeking bases in Southern Korea from which to bomb industrial areas in Manchuria.

The reports said that the Chinese Nationalist delegation, including Generals Wu Teh-chen, Chu Shih-ming and Tsao Shih-chen, at present in Southern Korea, is seeking permission to establish bases there.

Informed sources believe it is Chiang's intention to intensify the blockade of the China coast and to further undermine Communist China's economy by bombing Manchuria's power stations.

These reports were received with some apprehension because it is feared that the move would result in Nationalist China's bombers becoming involved with Russian shipping, and possibly with Russian aircraft, which might provoke incidents leading to outright Russian armed intervention in the Far East.

The reports claimed that the mission led by General Wu Teh-chen, visited Tokyo, whence they proceeded to Southern Korea on April 19. It is believed they discussed the project with General Douglas MacArthur's headquarters, from whom it is presumed, permission would have to be obtained.

In view of South Korea's strong advocacy of a Pacific Pact, it is believed that the government there would be adverse to making bases available to Nationalist blockade forces.

THE GAUNTLET!

Some quarters here said it was anticipated that Chiang intended in some way to throw down the gauntlet to Russia in order to provoke a World War as the best means of restoring his Nationalist regime to power. These quarters even suggested that Chiang might declare war on Russia if the United States showed signs of recognising Mao Tse-tung's Communist government.

By creating a situation where he could accuse Russia of active intervention, he could make a declaration of war, and thereby hope to force the United States to take sides.—United Press.

Catholics Force Leopold Issue

Brussels, Apr. 27.—The Bureau of the Belgian Senate—the Upper House—as summoned a session of the House next Wednesday for a debate on a motion moved by the Social Christian (Catholic) Senators calling for the summoning of a joint meeting of both Houses of Parliament to vote the end of the "impossibility for King Leopold to reign."

The Social Christians hold a majority of nine seats in the Upper House.—Reuter.

EUROPEAN VIOLENTLY ATTACKED

Astounding Kowloon Incident

Mr Noel Craig, of No. 4, Hart Avenue, was attacked by two Europeans while walking along Mody Road on his way home about 10 o'clock last night.

He was hit over the head with a bottle and was taken later by police car to the Kowloon hospital for treatment, being discharged after the wound had been stitched.

The incident took place at the corner of Mody Road and Hannel Road, the two men, believed to be soldiers, accusing him just as he was about to turn into Hart Avenue. The assailants stopped Mr Craig, asked him if he was English, and then one of them hit him violently with a bottle. They immediately made off after the attack.

Mr Craig managed to make his way home, about 30 yards from the scene of the attack, and immediately telephoned the police. The Emergency Unit arrived and he was rushed off to hospital.

Antwerp Arrests

Antwerp, Apr. 27.—The police arrested six more Communist agitators in Antwerp today as about 6,000 striking dockers drifted back to work.

Seventeen Communists have now been arrested since the unofficial port strike began.—Reuter.

EDITORIAL

Dealing With A Problem Child

WHAT is behind the Peking regime's change of mood at last permitting a large-scale evacuation of foreigners from Shanghai through the port of Tientsin may stir speculation, or it may be dismissed as having no discernible meaning. If the People's Government had developed the remotest element akin to normal behaviour and willingness to enter into reasonable international relations, more obvious indications would have been already apparent. When Britain's gesture in extending recognition is, more or less, spurned and Mr Kenneth Younger, the Minister of State in the Foreign Office, admits that we are no nearer the establishment of diplomatic relations than we were three and a half months ago, we have a situation bordering on the preposterous. Likewise, the sudden decision to facilitate the withdrawal of American officials and businessmen from Shanghai, together with some hundreds of different nationality, would create a more pleasing atmosphere had it been accompanied by an intimation that the few foreigners attempting to reverse the process need have no fear of obstructionism and, in many cases, unscalable barriers. Gradual elimination of foreign business interests and personnel—overlooking the Soviet influx—follows closely the trend of Peking policy as demonstrated hitherto. For the sake of those disillusioned travellers who expect to reach Hongkong next week from Tientsin, the Red agreement to arrange a rendezvous with the General Gordon will give pleasure. But small satisfaction from a long-term angle concerned with hopes and expectations that as the general situation can hardly be worse than it is, we can wait patiently for improvement. The gravity of the overall problem has been emphasised by China Association repre-

sentatives to the Foreign Office, and reiterated in Parliament with almost monotonous frequency. And time is the most potent factor. The best known modern enterprises who have contributed so much in the past to promoting China's economic standards and to developing a vast modern city like the erstwhile International Settlement in Shanghai, can hold out, if they choose, indefinitely. Their eggs are not all in one basket and their operations go far afield. Many, however, may be compelled to cut their losses and go into liquidation unless the Communists alter their tune. Hints from Shanghai wayfarers suggest also another difficulty may beset those prepared to hold the fort if the disposition of the Peking regime, to prevent refugees from travelling to Shanghai, undergoes no variation. Conditions today impose heavy strain on British employees of certain firms in places like Shanghai and while they are not exactly overworked in this era of trade stagnation, the need for a rest-cure and a more agreeable atmosphere grows increasingly for numerous people. That argument may not impress the Reds. A situation such as that created in Shanghai shows how difficult it is to combat indoctrination and the influence of Soviet Russia. Britain gambled in moving early to offer recognition of the People's Government, believing that it would encourage more friendly acquaintance and impress the Communists with the value of cultivating trade overseas to their own lasting benefit. Ruefully, the Government has had to agree that none of the primary objectives has been achieved. Other than a show of force, not to be countenanced, nothing can be done about it. Happily defeatism has not yet entered. We shall keep on trying.

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To Greet The Spring



Two chic white hats to Complexions needs lots of cream! The white crepe model (at left) with swan's quill, comes from Back and Enzel; the navy felt, from Abge Thaurup. "Teen and Twenty" range, is in navy felt with trimming and white petersham.

When Baby Eats With The Family... He Feels He Belongs To It

WHEN should the baby begin to come to the table and eat with the family? Should he sit in a high chair at the table? If we are thinking only of his eating habits we might not have him eat with the family until he is six or older. Then, if there are two or more children from two to five or six, we might have them eat at a low table as children do at a nursery school, at some distance from the family table in the same room or kitchen. There they might escape nagging or other annoyances by adults.

or being a part of the family group, as if sitting at the table as a part of the group. For the only little child, eating even near the large table at a low table, it would seem lonely to him. Or if you have the youngster, once he can walk, eat alone before the family.

By G. C. Myers Ph. D.

But they hardly could gain the same feeling of belonging.

voice when he asks for improper foods. "That is only for big people." This information, so given, will be accepted unemotionally by the youngster who has learned away from the table the meaning of "no," (that has never been shouted, shrieked or repeated).

Then there is the hazard of his falling from the high chair. But if it has a tray and the youngster has learned to conform somewhat in other situations away from the table, this hardly should be a problem.

If the child from about eight or nine months till after he can walk pretty well, has a rather wide table which is higher than the nursery school table, but with a simple, comfortable seat and footrest in the middle, and harness to hold him, he will be safe. This seat has great merit and if not available, have one made. In this table-chair the child can be close to the table and feel pretty much a part of the group. However, for social values, in furthering feelings on belonging to the family circle, I would advise the high chair with tray and adjustable footrest for the child about as soon as he can be comfortable there. Then he easily can see and hear everything. If grace is added he can learn to receive early in a pleasant experience of togetherness.

These provisions, however, that the parents and other persons at the table shall discipline themselves in proper conduct toward the tot, letting him eat, saying nothing about his food and eating; that, moreover, he shall have learned between meals to respect "no" as reliable information and to co-operate reasonably in some semblance of regulations. Between his meals, you can best prepare him and yourself to profit from his eating with the family.

If there are constant obvious hazards of his falling from the high chair, unfavourable behaviour by the older persons, with consequent annoyance to the child over his eating, it might be better for him to have his meals for some while at least away from the table.

Eyes On The Middy
 All eyes on the midday which is going ahead full speed in new versions. The return of the midday is one of the most important new developments and it appears as a dress top or separate blouse that can team with shorts, pedal pushers and skirts. The midday also makes a good looking bench jacket. Sleeveless or with a very short capped sleeve is the new point for midday blouses often accented with ties or striped details. Bloused tops are definitely "in," but just as a fashion minority. This silhouette is best represented in casual shirtwaist dresses.

Necklines
 While most necklines on dresses are close to throat, some are straight across from shoulder to shoulder, while one is narrow and slit to the waistline at front. There are amusing trimmings which appeal to teenagers, as dandelions embroidered in high relief on the skirt of a grass green linen dress, or festoons of straw braid around the skirt. Although actual waistlines remain normal and always belted, a lower-line can be suggested by prolonging contrasting fabric of some dress top to the hips where the skirt mounted in a fold. Some necklines have low belts at back.

Fan-Shaped-Sleeves
 One fashion house endorses sleeve interest by draped fan shapes standing out below the shoulders on coats and dresses. Other features are belted and bloused high-length tunics; coats with necklines rounding out and bordered by a cutting band; and hip-length smocks with matching narrow skirts.

This house sponsors narrow skirts and bloused tops.

SPRING COSTUME



By VERA WINSTON

SHOWN today, is a topper and skirt, adding up to a nice new costume. The topper is navy blue wool and has a bloused back, the set-in belt terminating on either side of the front closing. It is pleated gathered in back and gently gathered in front. Separate starched white linen collar and cuffs lend a crisp, clean look. This can be worn with a matching skirt to make a suit, or as shown with a bold navy and white checked wool skirt. It also goes nicely over a dress.

GADGET

By IOAN DALE



Stainless steel paring knife with a finger rest to protect finger from stains or cuts.

Fighting Pernicious Anaemia

By H. N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

ANEMIA results whenever the colouring matter of the blood becomes insufficient, and the number of red cells falls below normal. Anaemia is not a disease in itself but rather a symptom produced by a wide variety of disorders, some mild, some very serious.

Usually anaemias are divided into two groups, primary and secondary. In secondary anaemias there is a greater reduction in the amount of colouring matter than in the number of red cells. The opposite is true in primary anaemia.

Secondary Anaemia

The most common form of secondary anaemia is that produced by a lack of iron-containing foods in the diet. Such an anaemia is, as a rule, quickly overcome by the administration of iron-containing preparations which the physician prescribes in the proper dose.

Formerly a severe secondary anaemia, known as chlorosis, occurred rather frequently in women between 10 and 25 years of age. This condition was produced by inactive living, a lack of fresh air and sunshine, and an insufficient amount of vitamins and iron in the diet. It rarely occurs nowadays because of improvement in nutrition.

Of course, bleeding from any cause will produce anaemia. Such bleeding may be produced, among other things, by hemorrhoids or piles, or by ulcers of the stomach. Anaemia of this type cannot be overcome without stopping the bleeding, but after the bleeding has been overcome, the administration of iron quickly builds up the blood again.

Common In Women

One of the most serious forms of primary anaemia is pernicious anaemia. It most often affects middle-aged persons and is more common in women than in men. It seems to run in families. In this disorder there is some loss of weight, and a waxy, lemon colour to the skin. There is often sore tongue, loss of appetite, and stomach disorders. If the condition continues, it may affect the nervous system, with numbness and tingling of the hands and feet. The number of red cells is far below normal.

Formerly, this disorder was 100 percent fatal. For more than 20 years, however, we have been able to save most such patients through the feeding of liver and the giving of liver extract. Very recently, it was found that vitamin B-12, infinitely more powerful than liver extract in the treatment of pernicious anaemia. This vitamin evidently reacts with some substance in the stomach secretions to produce a third substance necessary for the proper development of red blood cells.

Household Hints

For quick dish washing try using a stiff looped vegetable brush. It will loosen stuck foods, too.

To remove the odour of onions from knives and cooking utensils, rub them with a damp cloth, then rub thoroughly with salt and wash well in hot, soapy water.

"Weather-Proof" Your Complexion



Complexion needs lots of creaming. When you're taking your tub then, apply a super rich cream. Follow with a good cleanser.

By HELEN FOLLETT

ONE way to keep your complexion in tip-top form is to weather-proof it, keep it in such splendid state that the elements can't get in mean tricks, making the surface rough, changing colour and texture. Your skin has a tough row to hoe. It has enemies, harsh winds, dazzling sunlight in the summer, atmospheric dust that is "agin" it all the time. It can't get along without fastidious attention and cosmetic support.

You should have two creams, one for cleansing and to act as a soothing agent when the flesh feels sensitive; another to use as an insurance against softened tissues that eventually bring on fine lines. Premature wrinkles are not uncommon. With good health, there is no reason for them. They are the result of neglect or facial acrobatics, one or the other. Time brings enough good looks sorrows without our creating them.

When you freshen up for dinner use a thin oil or light cream

for the removal of make-up which should invariably be applied to a clean skin surface so it will not be forced into the pores. Remove the cream with tissues, after which treatment you are entitled to apply the synthetic blush and other make-up trimmings.

Before saying your prayers and tumbling into bed, make it a rule to give your face a light five minute massage. This practice is an insurance against roughness, softened tissues, discolorations that come to older women's complexions.

Use a good emollient. Start the application at the collar bones. Smooth up and down the neck, front and sides, and it will do no harm if you do a few wallops at the back. Rub from chin tip to ear lobes. Do circles over the forehead. Encircle the eyes gently. On the cheeks give smart slaps and pats; no rotary motions there as you may push the flesh up around the eyes, causing turkey tracks.



Afternoon Tea Served Victorian Style

"WHAT has become of the elegant Victorian method of serving afternoon tea, Madame? Is the style of the thin tea cups, the lace tea cloth and the silver tea service out of the mode?"

"Not at all, Chef. It's more in vogue than ever, especially when served in a Victorian type living room, or a room with Colonial or early American decor. The tea-table should be roomy and low. A lace or embroidered tea cloth with matching napkins are used; candles and a small arrangement of flowers on the table. The hostess pours, and never, never, must she forget the number of lumps of sugar a guest prefers. To carry out the picture, she should look her loveliest in a floor length hostess gown.

Silver Tray
 "The tea service is usually arranged on a large silver tray and brought to the tea table. The foods are often arranged on silver plates. An old-fashioned folding tray with three round shelves and a handle for passing, stands near the hostess' chair, and holds sandwiches, cakes and candies ready to pass."

"Then, Madame, about the sandwiches. In 1900 they were always covered, that is made with two slices of bread. But with all the ladies trying to get svelter—"

"We make open sandwiches, Chef, with only one slice of bread. And we make them small and dainty."

Afternoon Tea 1900

A Rose Tea
 Decorations: Roses on the table; rose candles; rose and green or Dresden china; lace or Madeira cloth and napkins.

Menu
 Raspberry Jam and Cream-Cheese Sandwich Strips
 Almond-Chicken Paste Rounds
 Rose-Topped Cupcakes
 Pink and White Mints Tea

A Daffodil Tea
 Decorations: Daffodils; yellow candles; amber, gold-edge or yellow china; blue embroidered tea cloth and napkins.

Menu
 Water-Cress Rolls
 Pate de Fole Gras Fingers
 Fruiteauke Angel Cakelets
 Filbert Clusters Tea
 All Measurements Are Level Recipes Serve Four

Raspberry Jam and Cream-Cheese Sandwich Strips

Blend 1 cream-cheese, 3 tsp. butter, 1/4 c. grated raw apple

and 1/4 c. raspberry jam. Spread on narrow strips of whole wheat or enriched white bread. Decorate with a thin slice of red-skinned apple brushed with lemon or pineapple juice.

Almond-Chicken Paste Rounds

Combine 1 c. fine-minced chicken, 1/2 c. ground almonds, and 3 tsp. butter. Blend until smooth. Spread on rounds of enriched white bread. Decorate with seedless grapes.

Rose-Topped Cupcakes
 Make or purchase small sponge cupcakes; cover with thick cooked white icing, and when it begins to harden, fashion on top of each cake "a rose," with candied rose petals.

Water-Cress Rolls

Remove the crust from thin slices of enriched fresh bread. Spread with butter stirred until creamy. On each slice, place two sprigs of water-cress; roll up, fasten with a toothpick, and chill. Remove toothpicks before serving.

Pate de Fole Gras or Liver Paste Fingers

Spread finger lengths of enriched bread with one part butter and two parts pate de fole gras or liver paste which have been creamed together. Decorate with sliced olives.

Angel Cakelets

Make angel cupcakes, or purchase an angel cake and slice and cut it into rounds with a small biscuit cutter. Cover with fluffy white icing. Roll in coconut, chopped nuts, or candied rose petals, or decorated with candied violets or shredded toasted almonds. If desired, the cake may be covered with orange icing and decorated with chopped nut-meats.

Filbert Clusters

Drop blanched almonds into melted dipping chocolate cooled to room temperature; with a spoon remove three at a time; cool on waxed paper.

Dinner

Grapefruit sections; veal and beef loaf with tomato sauce; buttered noodles; mixed vegetables; hot biscuits; baked custards; coffee or tea; milk (children).

Trick of the Chef

Add a little curry powder to the mixture for almond-chicken butter, 1/4 c. grated raw apple

WOMAN OF THE WEEK



SEEN here with her two children is London's latest Ambassador, Senora Maria Hogan, wife of Senator Carlos Hogan, the new Argentine Ambassador.

This is Senora Hogan's first diplomatic post. He is 30. In Buenos Aires he was deputy-director of a Government petroleum firm.

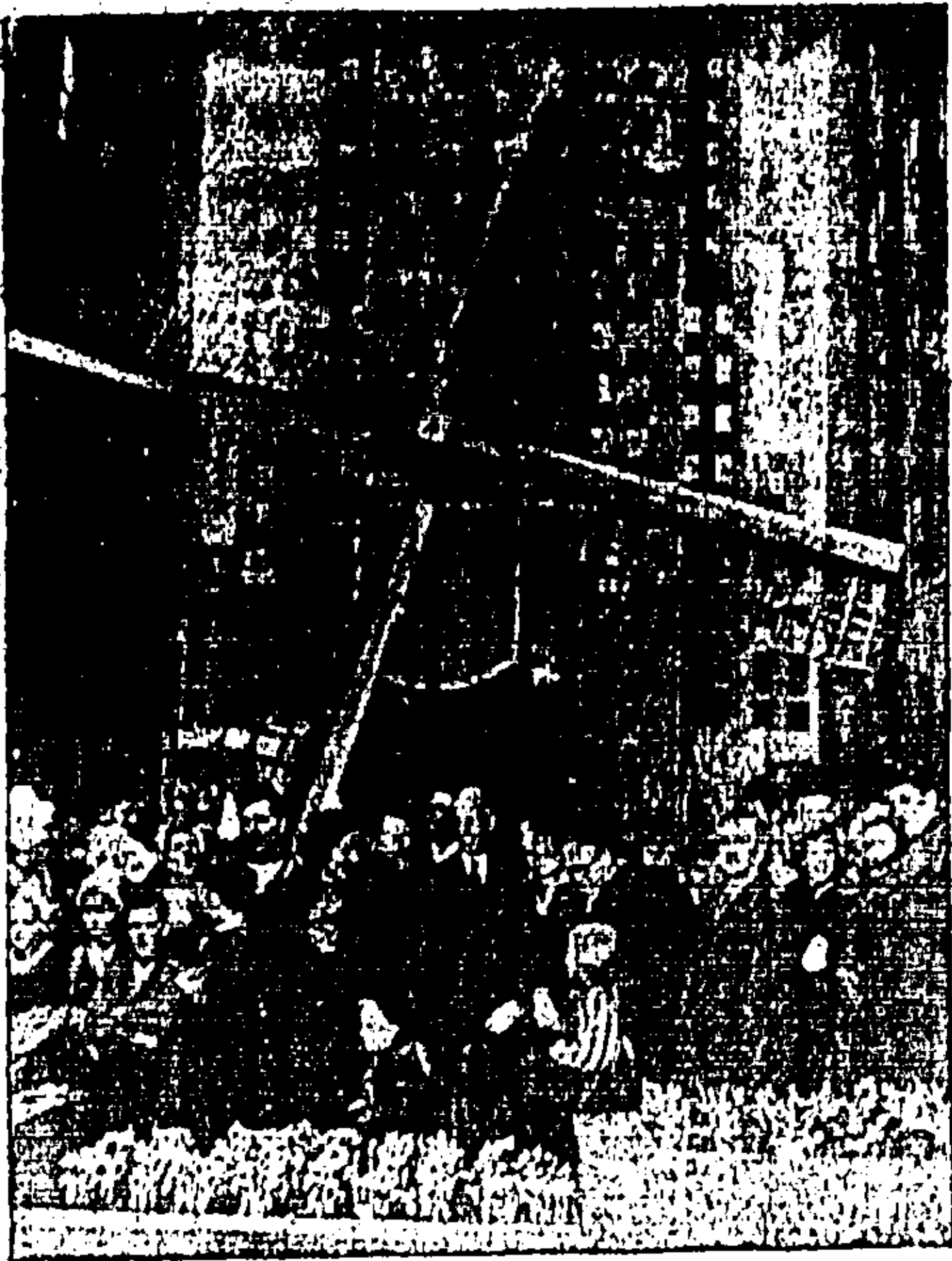
Senora Hogan, 25 years old, is a personal friend of Senora Eva Peron, wife of Argentina's President. She has Latin good looks, dark curly hair, flashing brown eyes.

She has brought no Argentine servants. The house is already staffed.

Neither has she brought over any meat. "I love meat, but I hope I shall not miss it too much here."

As I was leaving I saw on a hall table two large coloured photographs of Senora Eva Peron. Pointing to the signed inscription, Senora Hogan said: "I am having them hung up here."

A TOUCH OF HOLLAND



AN exact replica of a Dutch windmill, shipped from the Netherlands for the occasion, provides an authentic background as the seven-week Holland Bulb Festival is officially opened at New York's Rockefeller Centre. A total of more than 60,000 imported bulbs are on view. The children are dressed in keeping with the spirit of Holland, too. (Acme).

Distinctions For Glider Troops

The award of special distinctions to four units who took part in the British Army's first major glider-borne operation was recently approved by His Majesty the King.

All ranks of the 1st Battalion the Border Regiment, the 2nd Battalion South Staffs and the 1st Glider Pilot Regiment will wear an embroidered glider

badge at the top of the sleeve of their battledress and No. 1 Dress, and the 9th Airborne Squadron, Royal Engineers, will receive a commemorative parchment.

NEW NOTE



SINCE dainty two-piece bathing suits are standard wear at Miami Beach, Florida, Laura Darnce adds a new note with a beach bonnet made of palm fronds. (Acme).

YOUR DOG MAY BE ABLE TO READ YOUR MIND

The family dog may have greater mind-reading powers than his masters, Dr J. B. Rhine, American parapsychologist, said recently.

The tall grey-haired scientist, who directed experiments proving that man has an elusive "sixth sense," wants to test dogs for similar powers.

"Take the case of a dog which goes thousands of miles over strange country to find its owners—that seems to demonstrate some power no human has," he said.

A dog that whines in fear before some family tragedy or howls at the death of his master, though he may be in a hospital miles away, offers clues to untested mental powers, he said.

The scientist sighed that of course, no matter who vouched for such instances, scientists could not accept them as proof of power of telepathy or clairvoyance.

"But we are interested in experimenting with such dogs to determine to what extent they have extrasensory powers," he said.

NEW EMPHASIS

Experiments already have proved that people can read each other's minds. Dr Rhine said, and also have given some scientific foundation to such clairvoyance as that demonstrated by the woman who dreamed of her brother's suicide and later found the dream had been true in every detail.

"It looks as if dogs may possess more of that ability than humans," he said.

"A new emphasis has been given to this problem by a recent translation into English of the work of Professor W. Bechterev, a famous pre-Bolshevik Russian neurophysiologist," Dr Rhine said.

Describing experiments conducted with a fox terrier named Fikki, Bechterev wrote:

"I clasped both my hands around his muzzle and then began to think that he was to run to the round chair about seven and one-half feet behind me, jump upon it, sit down, and remain there."

FINAL SERIES

"After concentration of about one-half to three-quarters of a minute I let him go, and I hardly had time to look around when he was already sitting on the round chair."

In a final series of experiments, Bechterev reported the dog's owner was not present and the collaborator who held the dog was not even informed of the task. Bechterev said he stood 20 inches away while

giving the mental command, and when released the dog rushed into an adjoining room and jumped into an easy chair as mentally ordered.

Dr Rhine said more such research was needed. He said successful experiments with dogs might justify going back to birds and fish for further experiments.

Such tests might reveal whether these mysterious mental powers are becoming increasingly stronger or gradually vanishing, Dr Rhine said. He explained that if extrasensory powers were strongest in the most primitive creatures it might mean such powers as telepathy eventually will disappear through the process of evolution.—United Press.

HE FOUNDED A SCHOOL

Because a country clergyman, keenly interested in church music, wanted a choir of a quality above that of a normal country church, one of England's public schools—Bradfield College—is this year celebrating its centenary.

When Thomas Stevens, heretofore lord of the manor and rector of Bradfield, a tiny village in the Berkshire hills near Reading, succeeded to the family living in 1840, he decided after rebuilding his church that he would have a church choir like that of Magdalen.

To provide the voices, he decided to found a college. His own architect and builder, he erected a school of red brick and flint, and today it ranks as one of England's great public schools.

Until 1900 the Reverend Thomas Stevens retained control of his school which he ran as a single family with his own all on an equal footing. It was headmaster Herbert Branson Gray who virtually refounded the school about 20 years after Stevens' foundation. He replaced the family atmosphere by a more conventional public school regime.

MOBILE DENTAL UNIT



PROF. Enrique Rodriguez Fabregat, permanent UN delegate from Uruguay, inspects some of the equipment aboard the 20-foot travelling dental office being shipped to his country from the U.S. The UN International Children's Emergency Fund purchased it, and is also sending a mobile X-ray laboratory. (Acme).

BEAR-BOXING WITH BARE HANDS



TWO-ton Tony Galento doesn't seem to mind the fact that his rugged opponent, Teddy, the Russian bear, weighs more than twice his own weight in this friendly bout in Oak Ridge, N. J. And it'll remain a friendly bout—just as long as Teddy keeps that muzzle on. After that, Tony had better run, not walk, to the nearest exit. (Acme).

They Get The Sack For Their Own Good

By James E. Roper

Washington, Apr. 27.—U.S. embassies and legations behind the iron curtain have begun to dismiss native employees. The object is to protect the locally-hired workers from the vengeance of their Communist governments.

The dismissals were started quietly after Bulgarian police killed three Bulgarian employees of the U.S. Legation in Sofia, and convicted others, including Michael Shipkov, on spy charges.

The United States has broken diplomatic relations with Bulgaria. All American officials have been withdrawn and all local workers were dismissed.

BEST ACCESS

Now the campaign to reduce the number of locally-hired workers has been extended to diplomatic missions in Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland and Rumania.

American diplomatic chiefs in these countries have been instructed to cut native staffs substantially. The first to go are among the white collar workers. They have the best access to confidential material and, as a result, are under the severest pressure from their governments to act as informers. Scrub women and other mental laborers—regarded as harmless by both Americans and the local governments—probably will stay.

Until recently, the State Department authorized the American diplomatic missions to hire 105 natives in Czechoslovakia, 83 in Hungary, 112 in Poland and 53 in Rumania.

The number is far less today. A particularly sharp cut was made in Rumania, where the Government closed the United States Information Service, which employed a large staff of Rumanians.

The U.S. Embassy in Moscow, which employs 89 Russians, will not be affected. The Soviet Government selects all Russians who may work for foreigners and therefore would not be expected to punish their people for accepting the jobs.

The situation is different in other iron curtain countries. The American diplomats have hired persons of their own selection, and naturally chose those most likely to be loyal—that is, anti-Communists.

FAILURE

These employees have expected to get protection of the United States Government, but Washington has not been able to carry out any such obligation.

This failure was particularly glaring in Bulgaria where the United States, when it broke relations with Sofia, let its Bulgarian workers fall into police hands. Victims included Shipkov, a translator, and the Legation telephone operator, Jivka Rendova, who were given long prison sentences.

United States officials, in addition to worrying over the humanitarian aspects of the problem, fear that such cases cause a drop in American prestige.—United Press.

HUNTED BY HOUSE HUNTERS

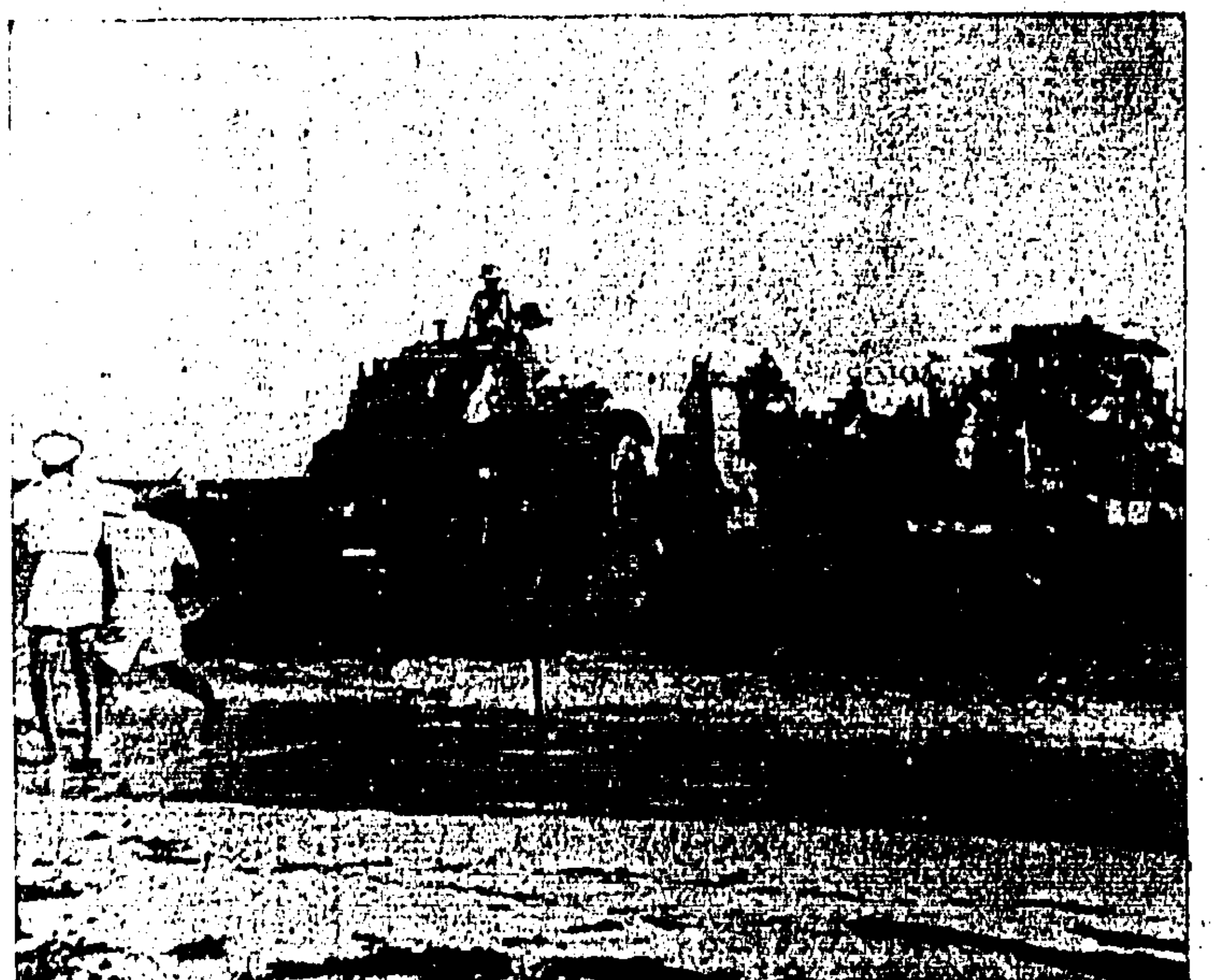
Who would be a local Housing Officer? Mr A. D. S. Blackhall, the Elstree, Hertfordshire, official, seems to find his job embarrassing at times.

He told the local Ratepayers' Association recently that where he went house-hunters approached him—once even high up on Snowdon!

Said he: "No matter where I am or what I am doing I am always likely to be stopped by someone on the housing list. I have been stopped in the streets, I have been stopped coming out of the pictures. I have been having my hair cut, when someone has said: 'Good-bye, Mr Blackhall, and the barber has looked at me with a new interest and asked how his housing application is going.'"

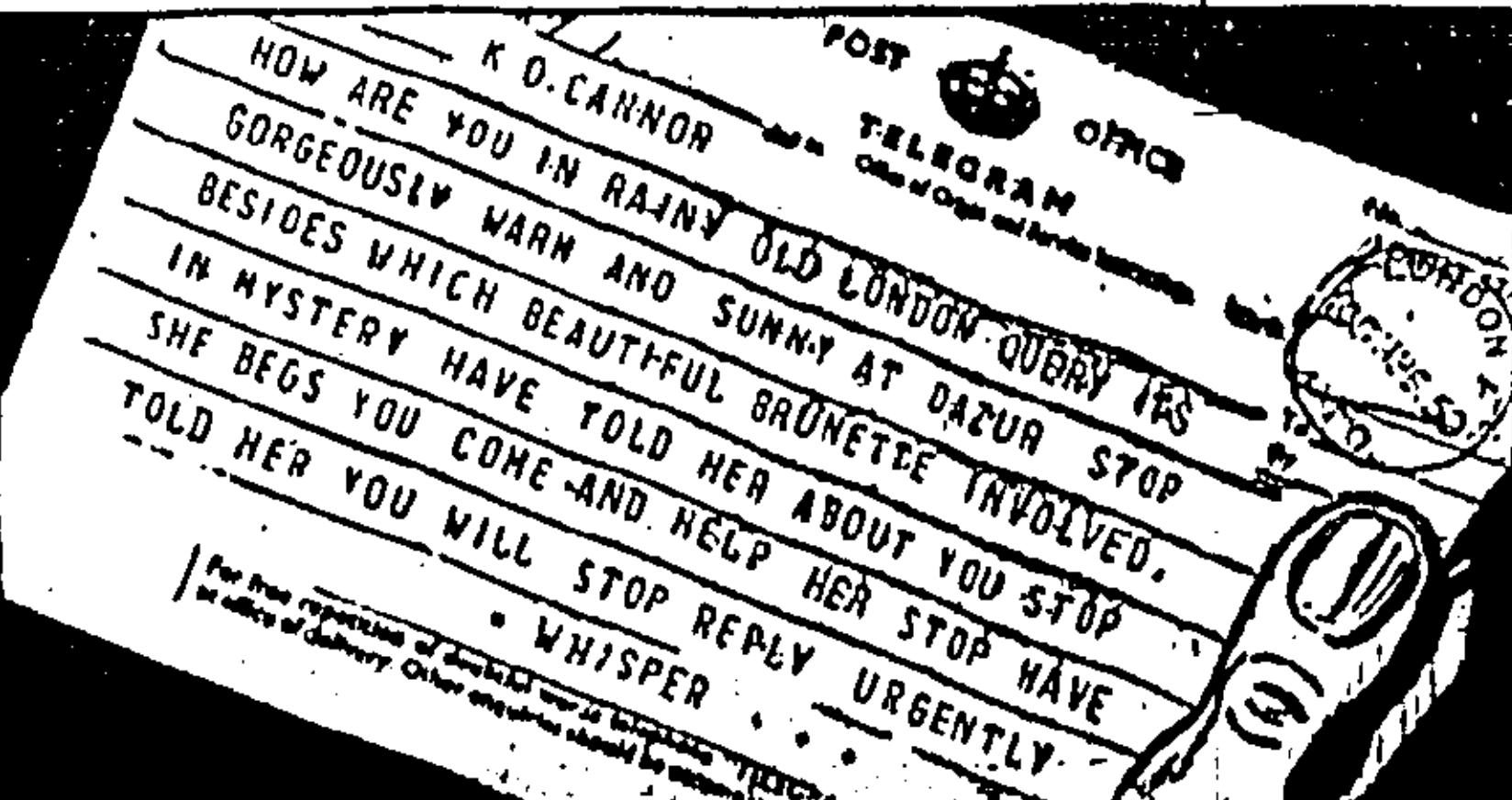
When once stopped for a licence check the policeman said to him confidentially: "I suppose you could not do anything for me?" Even on holiday he was not safe, said Mr Blackhall. He was stopped on top of Snowdon by a Health Ministry official who wanted to talk about housing.

DONE WITH UN APPROVAL



ARMOURED cars roll ashore at Mogadishu, capital of Italian Somaliland, to complete the Italian garrison that will help to govern under a United Nations trusteeship for a period of 10 years. The former Italian colony, which has been administered by Britain, has been turned over to Italy in formal ceremonies. (Acme).

K. O. CANNON A NEW ADVENTURE—WITH WHISPER



TWO MEN WITH £10 HIKE PLAN

Two men with an urge to study life in foreign countries are shortly leaving England on an 18-month trek to India and back.

Aidan Phillips and Leonard Strong, 29-year-old chiropractors, intend to set up in business together when their trip is over. They are now getting their muscles in trim by doing digging and juggling work at Manor Park, Sutton, Surrey.

They hope to set off in about three weeks' time. By hitchhiking most of the way they plan to reach Bombay via France, Italy, Egypt, Israel, Syria and Persia.

They will each take with them £5 in English money—the maximum permitted—and a similar amount of French money.

They are anxious to study the psychological and sociological aspects of life abroad, and are taking this opportunity before we settle down in business together," said Mr Strong. "We hope to write a book about our experiences."

Both unmarried, Mr Phillips lives at Nova Road, West Croydon, and Mr Strong at Malvern Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey.

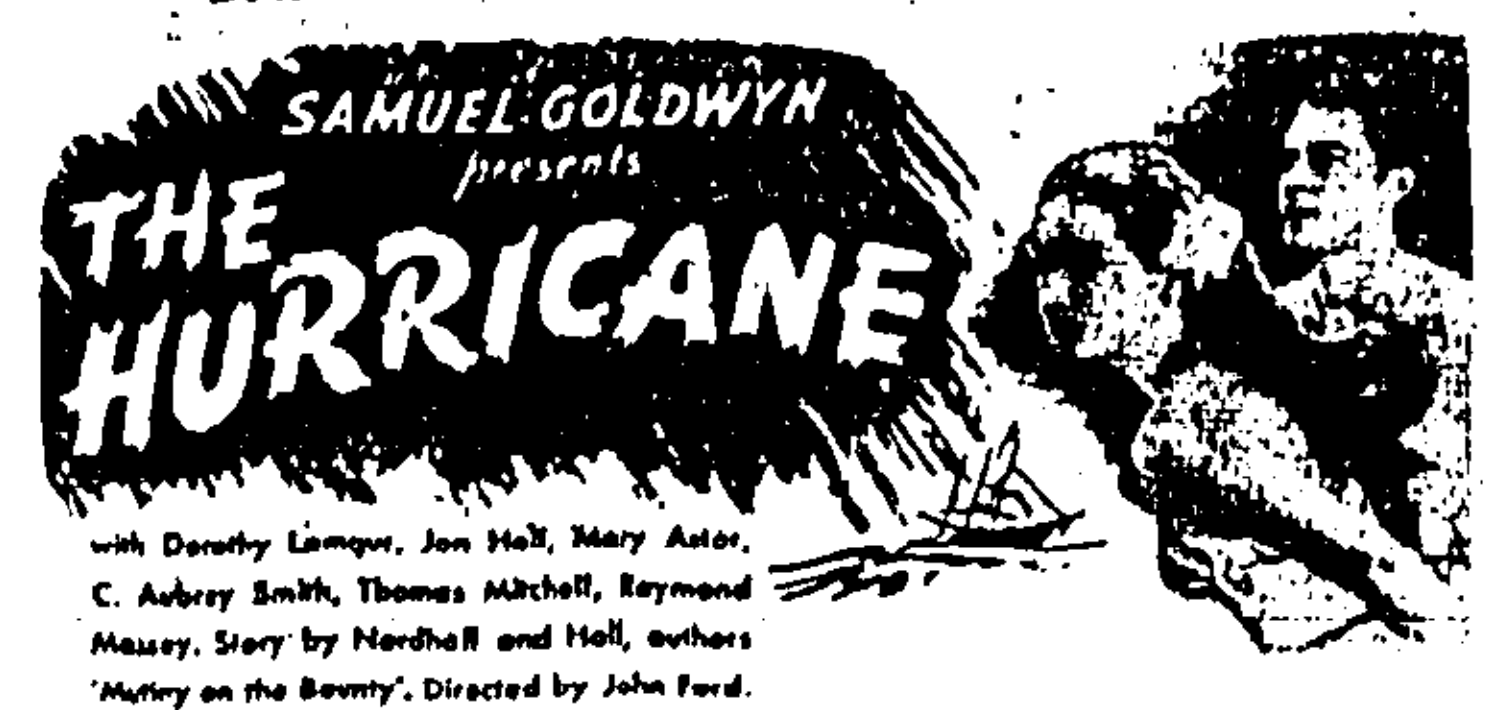
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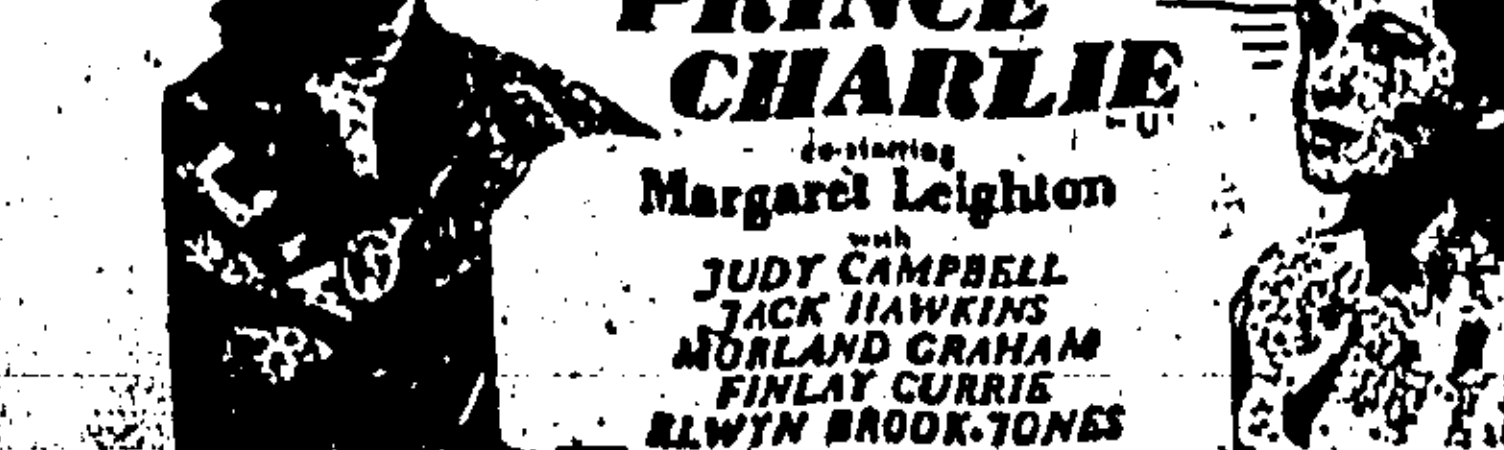
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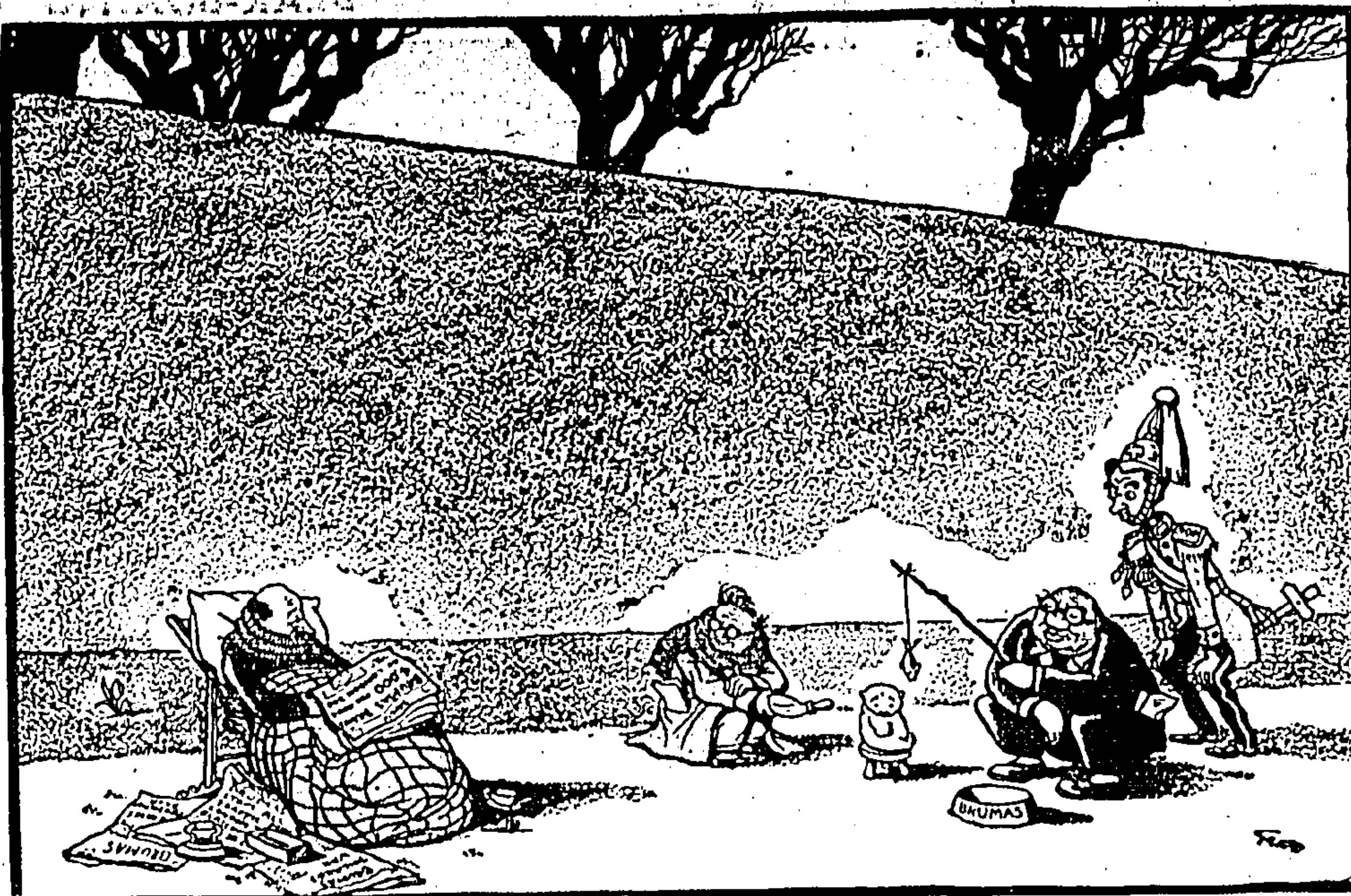


David Niven

BONNIE PRINCE CHARLIE

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JUDY CAMPBELL JACK HAWKINS MORLAND GRAHAM FINLAY CURRIE ELWYN BROOK-TONGS



"Ernie reckons we ought to see if this Brumas can draw a full attendance in the House."

(London Express Service)

Truman's envoy lifts a curtain on the men in the Kremlin THE NEWS THEY HIDE FROM STALIN

by CHARLES WINTOUR



GENERAL BEVELL SMITH became United States Ambassador to Russia in 1946. He served as 1st Lieutenant in United States Army in World War I. As Eisenhower's representative he signed the Italian Armistice in 1943 and later became Eisenhower's Chief of Staff at SHAEP. He is 54.

man's Ambassador to Stalin. Perhaps the most important conclusion which General Smith reached after his three years in Moscow was that there is no truth in the widely held and possibly dangerous misconception that while other Soviet leaders, such as Molotov and Vyshinsky, may be difficult and hostile, Stalin is "basically reasonable."

He has come to this view after bitter experience of Stalin as a negotiator.

THERE are no experts on the Soviet Union," a distinguished foreign correspondent has said, "only varying degrees of ignorance."

It is because the public know so little about the higher command in Communist Russia that any book which casts a glimmer of light on the Kremlin is eagerly read for a clue to the riddle: Peace or war?

Stalin's Ability

WHEN he left, without any farewell interview, the Berlin blockade was in full swing.

What led General Smith to this conclusion? In the first place it is clear that he was tremendously impressed by Stalin's own ability.

"The sequence and length of his remarks," he said of his first interview, "made me feel that either he has a remarkable memory and great power of con-

Deliberate Deceit

FINALLY, General Smith considers that when communists are made between what Stalin has said to his own people in the basic literature of the Communist Party, in which their programme is clearly spelled out, "it is impossible to avoid the conclusion that the Generalissimo is capable of contradicting himself and even, on occasion of deliberately deceiving his auditor."

It must be said that some of the evidence which is presented in this book supports the other view.

Surely it is odd that Stalin never talked to General Smith without Molotov's being present, apparently as a watchdog to see that Stalin kept within the bounds of officially approved policy.

And, when General Smith, with representatives of Britain and France, were discussing the Berlin dispute with Stalin and Molotov, Stalin suddenly asked: "Would you like to settle the matter tonight?"

Molotov's Bid

HE then proposed a compromise solution and said he would not insist as a condition the deferment of the establishment of a Western government in Germany.

But Molotov, in later negotiations, attempts to insert this very point as a condition to the written agreement.

In any case, it is correct that Stalin is cut off from outside sources of information about what happens not only in the world outside, but in his own country.

But if Stalin is cut off from information about the outside world except what he receives from his own henchmen, the task of a foreign Ambassador in Moscow, attempting to glean information of Russia's future intentions, is virtually impossible.

From this book it is plain that our rulers are quite ignorant as to the public regarding Russia's real aims.

General Smith himself falls back on well worn

quotations from Lenin to the effect that a clash between the capitalist and Communist systems is inevitable.

He admits frankly that at first he took a more optimistic view than the State Department of the possibilities of long term collaboration with Russia. Three years later he cautiously put forward the view that only "distance, necessity, patience, firmness and the united strength of the West" might enable the prolongation of a precarious and uncertain peace.

His record which is as plain-spoken and direct as one would expect from this distinguished soldier, is that largely a story of frustration and disillusionment. It is doubtful whether any other man would have done much better in that key position, but even so one may doubt the wisdom of the American habit of giving such posts to military men. (General

Smith was succeeded by an admiral).

General Smith spent his three years in Moscow learning what a career diplomat should have known before he packed his bags.

There is much to be said for the trained diplomat. After all, the negotiations leading up to the Molotov-Ribbentrop pact were preceded by months of the most delicate diplomatic feelers and counter moves.

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SNAKES CAN'T MILK COWS

And Elephants Can Forget

HOW many of the popular beliefs about animals are really true? Elephants, for example.

Do they ever forget? Well, they may remember an injury a long time—but, generally, the elephant's memory has been exaggerated.

Ostriches? Will they eat anything that is offered to them? They will, because they need such things as pebbles for digestion.

But many zoos have lost birds through people giving them such things as flies to swallow.

And they don't bury their heads in the sand (despite the political cartoonists). But the story may have arisen because when they sight danger they run.



Don't always remember.

nor they sometimes drop to the ground, stretch out their necks parallel with it, and watch intently.

American zoologist Osmund P. Breland, in "Animal Facts and Fallacies" (just published by Faber and Faber), has got right down to the ordinary man's beliefs about the animal world. And many of those beliefs are true.

'Flying snakes'

Jonah, for a start, could have been swallowed by a whale—but it would have had to have been a great sperm whale.

And there are "flying snakes," particularly in the Dutch East Indies.

They do not actually fly, but glide from branch to branch. But don't let anyone fool you with that old farmer's yarn about certain types of snakes that milk cows.

They can't, says Mr Breland, not even if they bring their own milking stools along.

Nothing arouses more interest than the supposed fighting abilities of animals. Well, which is the champion? The lion? In my own view, from talks with many hunters, I feel both tiger and African buffalo are the superior of the "king of beasts."

And Professor Breland points out that one good, solid blow from a grizzly bear's front paw could dispose of a lion without further ado.

Supersonic cries

An extraordinary thing is that two inventions of modern warfare can be found in the animal world.

Bats, for example, have always used radar. That's why they can fly in the dark. As they fly, they emit cries (which cannot be heard by human beings).

The theory is that these supersonic cries are reflected



Uses radar.

back to the bats, aiding them in locating objects. Chemical warfare, of course, originated with the skunk.

The foul excretion can be smelt for more than half a mile.

So vile is the smell, that it is suggested the skunk himself can hardly stand it—and that this is the reason he is reluctant to discharge it.

Fastest birds

Which are the fastest birds in the world? Two species of Indian swifts were timed over a two-mile course, doing from 17.14 to 20.0 miles per hour.

Carrier pigeons can do 60-65 miles per hour—and as much as 55 miles an hour for four hours.

Swallows are hardly faster than crows, at 45 to 50 miles per hour, compared with 40 to 45 miles per hour.

And one ostrich has been timed, running, at 50 miles per hour.

Among animals, the cheetah (70 miles per hour) is the fastest—and a lion can reach 50 in its charge.

Compare this with greyhounds, which can do only a possible 35 to 40 miles per hour.

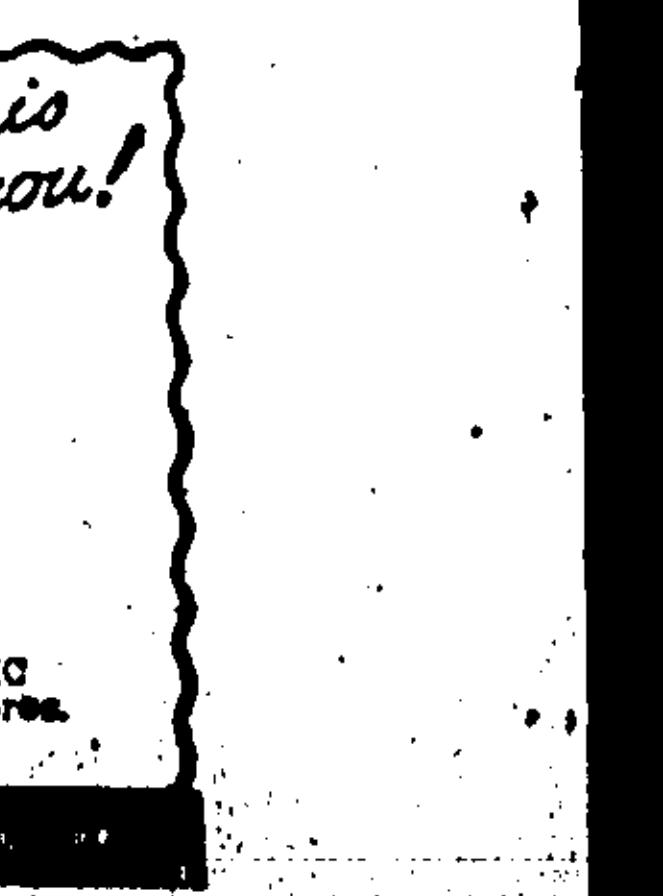
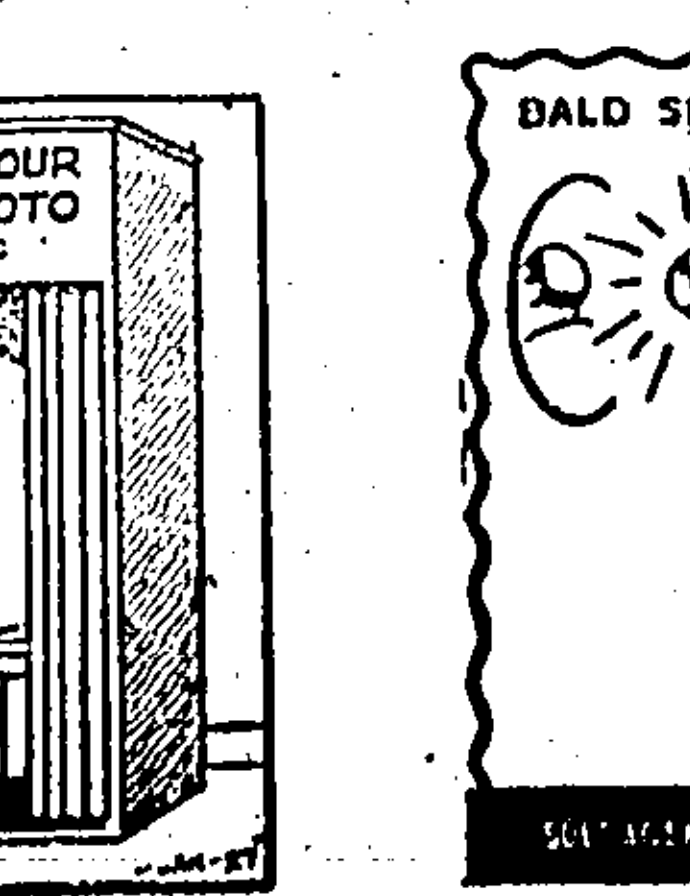
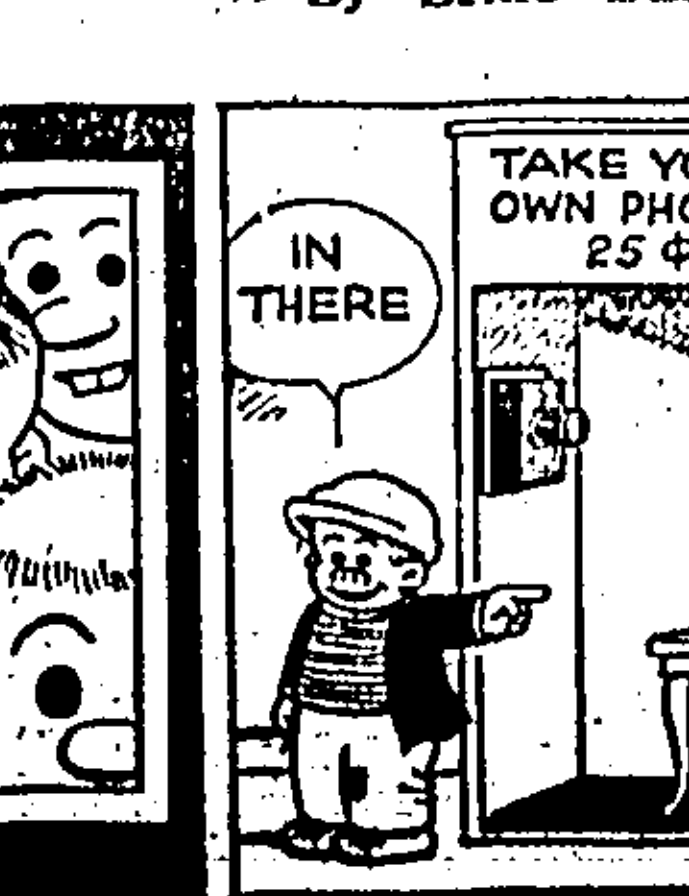
Or man himself—bottom of Professor Breland's list with 22 to 25 miles per hour.

Selkirk Panton

Don Taylor

NANCY

Close-up



By Ernie Bushmiller



Home Football

CUP FINAL AND LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP STRUGGLE HOLD THE SPOTLIGHT

London, Apr. 27.—Though the Cup final tussle between Arsenal and Liverpool will undoubtedly overshadow the rest of next Saturday's football programme, interest in the League Championship race will be intense.

Portsmouth, who are within sight of retaining the title they won last year, have a home match on Saturday, but their nearest rivals, Wolverhampton Wanderers and Blackpool, have away games.

Wolverhampton Wanderers, two points behind Portsmouth, are strong enough to snatch a point against the moderate Bolton Wanderers, but Blackpool look like having a harder task against Stoke, who are a very useful side on their own ground.

Blackpool, with a game in hand, are three points behind the leaders, and their thrustful attack will have to be at its best to keep the club in the running for its first League Championship.

DESPERATE STRUGGLE
Struggling desperately at the foot of the table are Manchester City and Charlton. The latter wind up their League programme with a difficult away game against strong Derby County and, even if they win, can get only 32 points.

Manchester City, with two games to play, can also get 32 points, and they will have to win away against the mediocre West Bromwich Albion to remain in the running.

The Inter-City tussle between Sheffield United and Sheffield Wednesday for the honour of accompanying Tottenham Hotspurs into the First Division may not be decided until the last day of the season.

The Wednesday side, two points behind with two games in hand, travel to London for a hard game at West Ham, where they will be fortunate to force a draw. The United should win at home to Hull City, who failed to last the distance in the promotion race.

CHESS

Standard Oil Win Upset Victory

The Standard-Vacuum Oil Co. team turned up the biggest upset of the sports year when they defeated the rest of the Kowloon Chess Club by 4 points to 3 in the match at the Peninsula Hotel last night.

The whole match was over by 9.30 p.m., the last game to finish seeing Arthur Gomes (Standard Oil) going down to P. K. Prokopov (Club) after a gallant defence.

On top board, the Champion of Shanghai, Sergio Grigoriy, playing for the Club, was content with a draw by perpetual check against R. W. Borsodi after 22 moves when the two were in an even position. The game was a Sicilian Defence, Borsodi having black.

On board Two, the Colony Champion, F. X. Sequenza (Standard Oil) beat H. Klinghardt (Club) after the latter had lost a piece on the 20th move, resigning on the 25th. Klinghardt, who had the black pieces, also played the Sicilian Defence.

On board Three, L. Schure, Club Champion, who had white was held to a draw by Johnny Carvalho (Standard Oil) in a French Defence.

MOST EXCITING

Ray Danenberg (Standard Oil) beat Eugene Tausz on Board Four in the most exciting game of the evening, winning in 37 moves. Tausz accepted the Queen's Gambit and in a game of ups and downs Danenberg built up a strong King's side attack that won.

Standard Oil's victory was due in a large measure to L.A. da Costa, the hero of the match who, playing his own opening—the Da Costa Do-or-Die—beat A. Birukoff, a much stronger player. Birukoff, not familiar with the opening, overlooked a variation in which da Costa won his rook.

On the remaining two boards, the Club's overwhelming strength told, Gomes and Almeida being up against much more experienced players in P. K. Prokopov and V. Zirnisky. The Rest of the Club fielded its strongest possible team, and the result can only be described as a splendid victory.

SPORTING SAM



By Reg. Wootton



IT'S A WRIGHT BALL



A right ball and a Wright ball are much the same thing in County cricket and this young bowler is getting the idea from Kent player Doug Wright at the Kent CC coaching school, St Lawrence ground, Canterbury. Pupil Robert Bush (17) hopes to face the Aussies one day for his county. His home is in Sittingbourne.

James Langridge Feels Much Honoured

There is not a first-class cricketer in this country who will not want to congratulate James Langridge on being made captain of Sussex, even though the appointment is only of the "caretaker" sort.

General feeling now is that the storm in Sussex cricket has now subsided. Langridge, whom everyone likes, is a shrewd, solid, knowledgeable countryman, tremendously keen on Sussex cricket, steeped at 43 in cricket experience. He told his Brighton reporter:

"The great honour is something I could never have expected. I'll do my very best and feel certain the rest of the players will pull their weight and give me full support."

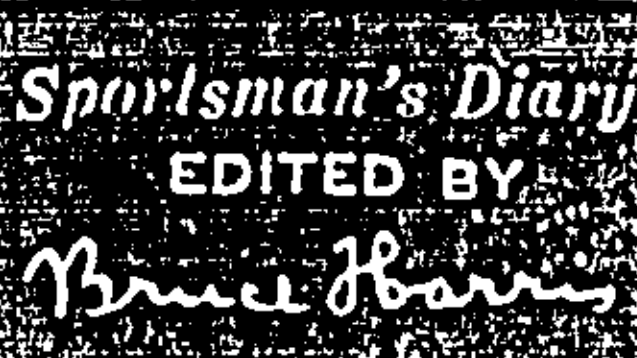
REMINISCENCE

Langridge has been coaching at an indoor cricket school in Hove during the winter with his brother John, and is the Sussex assistant coach to Patsy Hendren. His role when he returns from cricket is to be a "mobile" one, seeking talent in all parts of Sussex.

Whatever his qualities, Langridge knows how to plan ahead. One winter day I went down to Brighton to join him in a walk across the downs to Lewes. Halfway there my companion asked me in the solitude if I would like a beer. The reply was the polite equivalent of "Not at all" but what about ways and means?

Jim led me down a track, through a gap in a hedge, and unearthed two bottles from a ditch, which he had visited by cycle the previous day.

A planner like that is fit to captain any cricket team.



SPORTSMAN'S DIARY
EDITED BY
Bruce Harris

'FERGIE' ON THE JOB

Two non-combatants took my attention at the party given to the West Indies cricketers by the Sugar Manufacturers' Association of Jamaica. One was that old pilot of cricketers everywhere, Bill Ferguson, baggage-man and scorer, just returned from the Australian tour of South Africa to travel the West Indies about this country—his 35th tour.

The other non-combatant has a cricket—a cricket—the Rev. R. C. Palmer-Barne, described on the West Indies team list as Clerical assistant. He is an Englishman, a Methodist minister in Barbados.

COTTON—CAMERAMAN

"I am never long in London before saying 'hello' to you," the speaker was Henry Cotton, just back from Monte Carlo, addressing James Goodfellow.

An early visit to the Argentine for private reasons means that he will be playing in only about four of the big tournaments this season. He cannot be blamed for missing the Open championship at Troon in July. So much is expected of him that it would be a mistake to enter without full preparation.

Cotton demonstrated the camera by which he now takes photographs of pupils and shows them their mistakes. With the dexterity of a seaside photographer at holiday time he produced a print within two minutes.

CONFESSION

Cotton, a master in analysing players and their methods, is booked for a golf lecture in

Sussex Beats Hampshire

Southampton, Apr. 27.—Sussex beat Hampshire by four wickets in a two-day friendly match which ended here today after snow and rain had prevented play yesterday.

Batting first, Hampshire made 179 runs for six wickets declared, and Sussex scored 195 runs for six.

N. McCorkill, Hampshire's wicketkeeper, and N. Rogers featured in an opening partnership of 109, McCorkill made 61. James Langridge, the Sussex captain, took three for 28 with his left-arm slow deliveries and J. Gales, right-arm medium pace bowler, captured three for 53. John Langridge was the top scorer for Sussex with 60, while his elder brother, James, was next best with 34. John's nine boundaries—Reuter.

MANILA TEAM BEATEN

The La Salle College basketball team of Manila met their first defeat in their third appearance here last night at Caroline Hill when they lost to Hongkong Chinese YMCA, 39-46.

Individual scorers were: H.C. Chinese 7—Ng Yuet-on 12, Chang Shui-tong 8, Ko See-jin 11, So Man-chin 12, Ka Nam-kong 5, La Salle—V. Eduque 2, J. Mendez 2, E. Inigo 3, A. Banay 5, R. Campos 11, E. Sharuff 6, E. Arana 1.

Pointed the Wholly of Shanghai will meet Hongkong Combined 'A' at this place.

Three Minutes Of Silence For Boxing Managers

By CORNELIUS ROBINSON

New York.—Boxing managers are a vocal lot, but they have nothing to say during the three-minute rounds of an actual bout.

The Deputy State Athletic Commissioners won't let them. It's against the rules, and the Deputy Commissioners have absolute authority to enforce them.

Jack Dubelstein is a typical Fumehon bout for Dubelstein. At intervals during the fight the fan, in a penetrating brassy voice, shouted the most insipid of witticisms at the fighters. But always, just as Dubelstein was about to call an usher, the fan would become quiet.

"I wish I had as much authority over that kind of customer as I do over the fighters' corners," sighed Dubelstein.—United Press.

SCORCHING

Dubelstein watches all the action in the corner carefully. If a second sloshes too much water on a boxer, soaking the floor, the second gets a scorching reprimand from Dubelstein.

And the second takes, it humbly, for he could lose his license should he argue too much.

Frankie Genaro, former Flyweight Champion, was turned manager, was watching his protegee take a beating in a recent bout.

"Come in with your left up—keep your left up!" the excited Genaro shouted to his fighter during a brisk exchange. Dubelstein leaned forward and tapped Genaro.

"You know you have to keep quiet, Frankie," he said severely. Genaro nodded an apology. "Talk to him between rounds," said Dubelstein. "You're right, you know. He should keep his left up."

Dubelstein can be understood in all languages. Roger Oquinn, manager of Gialloro Annaloro of Italy and North Africa, was suffering as Annaloro, backed Jimmy Cooper in a hard fight and began to tire. Dubelstein, in French, "Non!" shouted Dubelstein. "Silence" Roger understood perfectly.

A Deputy Commissioner also has power to order ejection of a loud or objectionable fan. Such a loud and stupid spectator spoiled the Willie Pep-fay.

FANS UNDER CONTROL

EVERYBODY TWO-STEP!
Wherever boxing men gather the name of Eddie Egan, chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission, is known. Once he was a world champion among amateur boxers.

From Egan, himself in the New York Herald Tribune comes this account of his charity exhibition fight with Jack Dempsey at Denver, Colorado.

"I heard Jack in the ring," said he, "humming a little tune. It was an old song, but almost every fighter leaves when he's working on his footwork to keep in rhythm. Goes like this:

"Everybody two-step
And grab a little girl!
Everybody two-step,
And do the twirly-whirl!"

WHAM!
"It keeps you in motion, and you can't get your punch on the crecendo. I'll never in my life forget the words to that song—because this is how Jack tattooed it into my memory.... here's how it sounded to me that night in Denver:

"Everybody two-step,
And grab a little—WHAM!"

"I think it was Dempsey's right hand that landed first, but I can't be sure.

The song, apparently is ended, but the memory lingers yet.

(London Express Service)

HK SERVICES DRAW WITH SINGAPORE

Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 27.—The Hongkong Service XI opened their Malaysian tour by holding Selangor State team to a one-all draw in a soccer match yesterday. The equalizer by the Services was obtained two minutes before the end by Brown.

The game was fast and interesting but due to a slight drizzle in the second half, ball control was made difficult. On the run of play, Selangor were unlucky not to win as they attacked for the greater part of the game.

Bearing the brunt of the Selangor onslaught was Spence, the Services' goalkeeper, whose spitting tactics broke up many threatening moves.

Hongkong Services—Fairbrother, Wootton, Woods, Craighead, Spence, Hutton, Soody, Marsden, Brown, Higgins, Andrews. Selangor—High Gay, Mitchell, See Bu-shie, Dollah, Rijnburg, Poh Chiew, Amardaan, Yusof, Benjamin, Dutton, Bin Kheng.—Reuter.

MANUEL ORTIZ SUSPENDED BY THE NBA

Washington, Apr. 27.—Manuel Ortiz, the World Bantamweight Champion, was suspended today by the National Boxing Association of America. The NBA stated that the suspension would be in effect until Ortiz fulfils a contract to box for Jack Solomons, the London promoter.

Mr. Abe Greene, President of the NBA, said the action was taken at the request of the British Boxing Board of Control. That body claims that Ortiz had agreed by cablegram to defend his title against Danny O'Sullivan, the British Champion.

Instead, Ortiz decided to fight Vic Toweel, a South African title holder, in Johannesburg on May 20. Ortiz left New York by air tonight on the first stage of his journey to South Africa.

It was stated that the suspension was against Ortiz and not against his title.

In London, Mr. Solomons stated he would hold Ortiz to his contract.—Reuter.

TO MEET ROMERO?

New York, Apr. 27.—Manuel Ortiz, the World Bantamweight Champion, will meet Luis Romero, the European Bantamweight Champion, in Barcelona if he successfully defends the World title against the South African, Vic Toweel, his Manager, Mr. Ray Luna, said today before Ortiz left by air for South Africa.

Ortiz is due to defend his title against Toweel, who holds the South African and British Empire Bantamweight crowns, in Johannesburg on May 20.

Mr. Luna said that if Ortiz lost to Toweel he would remain in Johannesburg for a return match.—Reuter.

40 DIVISION SHOOTING

Rain only held up firing for a short time at Klay Tak range when the second day's firing of the 40 Division Rifle meeting took place.

The matches fired included the final of the Young Soldiers Team Match, the first of the 1st Bn. Rifle Team match and the first three rounds of the Falling Plate Match.

Notable scores in the Unit Team match were Lt. Walker's (Royal Signals) 38 out of 40 in the application and WO1 Hopkin's (HQ 28 Infantry Brigade) 40 out of 60 in the snip.

In the Young Soldiers Match the 1st Bn. South Staffs led until the last practice shot, the 1st Bn. Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders came up on the last practice to win the match by 4 points.

Some exciting heats were soon in the Falling Plate competitions when 14 Ft. Regt. R.A., did the shortest time of the day, 17 secs. A very close match was between the KSLI and the Divisional REME. The REME got forward to the semi-finals where they meet 1 Bn. KOSB. The 1st Bn. South Staffs meet 14 Ft. Regt. in the other semi-final.

Lt-General Sir Robert Mansergh, C-in-C, Hongkong, will be at the final day of the meeting to-day and the Divisional Commander, Major General Evans will distribute the prizes at the competition of the firing.

Yesterday's scores were: Young Soldiers—1, 1 A & SIF 323; 2, 1 S. Staffs 319; 3, 1 KSLI 303.

In the Unit Team Match with one practice left to fire the position was as follows:

1, HQ 28 Inf Bde 323; 2, 1 Middlesex 323; 3, HQ 28 Inf Bde 323. The four teams left in the Falling Plate for the semi-finals to-morrow were: 1, 10 Ft Regt 314; 2, 1 S. Staffs; 3, 1 KOSB; 4, HQ 28 Inf Bde.

MIDDLE EAST SITUATION:

Britain's Act Introduces Vital Change

London, Apr. 27.—Any Israel attempt to increase her size by encroaching on Jordan-held territory, including the Old City of Jerusalem, will find Britain at the side of King Abdullah's forces. This is the effect of Britain's guarantees, announced today, of the present armistice lines between Israel and Jordan or any future frontier which may be negotiated by them, diplomatic quarters here declared.

The Minister of State, Mr. Kenneth Younger, announced today that Britain, bound to Jordan by a 1948 Treaty of Alliance, now recognises Jordan's annexation of Palestine territory held under the present armistice with Israel and her "de facto" authority in the Old City of Jerusalem.

The Anglo-Jordan Alliance provides for common military measures and mutual military assistance in the event of either party being involved in a war or subject to the threat of war. Mr. Younger's explanation that the territory to which the terms of the Anglo-Jordan Alliance will apply is subject to modification at a final peace settlement, achieved by agreement between the two parties, was seen here as emphasising that Britain does not in any way wish to prejudice the frontier negotiations.

DECISIVE FACTOR
But the British announcement that the whole of Jordan-occupied Palestine is now covered by the provisions of the Alliance with Britain was regarded as introducing a vital change into the Palestine situation.

Were Israel to contemplate it, she could not now seek to increase her territory by encroachment at the expense of Jordan without bringing the provisions of the Alliance into play.

Diplomatic quarters said the extension of the Alliance's scope had brought a decisive factor into the Palestine situation in making it impossible physically, as well as morally for Israel to enlarge her frontiers in the direction of Jordan except by negotiation.

British officials hope and expect that this move will introduce stability into Palestine and will encourage a negotiated permanent settlement between Israel and Jordan.

COMMONS STATEMENT
London, Apr. 27.—Britain today recognised King Abdullah's decree doubling the size of his Jordan Kingdom by annexing a large area of Palestine held by the Arab Legion since the war with Israel.

Simultaneously, Britain gave its final blessing to young Israel state by raising her recognition from the year-old "de facto" to full "de jure" approval.

Mr. Younger, in his announcement to Parliament today, said: "In announcing the two acts of recognition, His Majesty's Government wish to reaffirm their conviction that the problem of Palestine is capable of solution by peaceful means, given goodwill and understanding on the part of all parties concerned."

"It is their earnest hope that the steps they have now taken will help to create stability in the areas concerned and will make a contribution to the peace of the Middle East as a whole."

Mr. Winston Churchill, the Conservative Opposition leader, said amid cheers that Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of Israel, and King Abdullah of Jordan had both, over the vicissitudes of the past 20 or 30 years, shown themselves always staunch friends of Britain.

QUITE RIGHT
He urged the Minister to avail himself to the fullest of any possible opportunity of bringing these two eminent men into the closest and most harmonious contact.

Mr. Churchill asked if he was quite right in assuming that this was the general path on which the Government was embarking.

Mr. Younger: "Yes, sir. And it is a great pleasure for me to associate myself with the remarks Mr. Churchill has made about the two gentlemen concerned."

Mr. Somerset de Chair, Conservative, urged the Government to call a conference of all Middle Eastern countries involved in an attempt to get a determined settlement of the outstanding problems such as the future of Jerusalem, the closing of the Suez Canal and the pipeline, as no two of these Middle Eastern countries seemed to be agreed.

"I think this would be an important contribution to the solidarity of the area, which is essential to prevent the spread of Communism," he added.

SALE OF JETS
Mr. Younger replied: "We hope that the action we are announcing today will help in reaching an agreement between these countries over the many problems which face them. But

I do not think I can commit myself to the idea of the conference as necessarily the best way to settle differences."

Mr. Churchill asked if the Minister and the Government would reconsider the decision to sell 110 jet aeroplanes to the Egyptian Government.

Mr. Younger replied that Mr. Churchill would appreciate that the whole question of the supply of arms to the Middle East was under constant consideration.

He did not think he could, at this moment, add anything to the statement he had just made.

Mr. Churchill suggested that he should bring it to the notice of the Prime Minister. It was a very important one, he said.

He also asked Mr. Younger to consult the Prime Minister on the continuous stoppage of tankers passing through the Canal Zone which was hampering Britain's efforts to get the Suez Red Sea into operation.

Mr. Younger replied that these and other important matters were being actively considered by the Government.

MOST STABLE

Mr. Sidney Silverman, a Jewish Labour Member, congratulated the Government on the "positive and constructive steps forward" it had taken. But he urged that the whole question of supplies of arms under Britain's treaties with the surrounding Arab States should be reconsidered—indeed suspended—until such time as they were prepared to negotiate treaties of peace with Israel.

Mr. Younger: "I take note of that, but I do not think any comment of mine is called for."

Lord Winterton, Conservative, said that some Members who had very intimate connections with the Middle East believed that Israel and Jordan were by far the most stable states in the Middle East.

First things should come first and a treaty between them should be the Government's object as far as possible, he said.

Mr. Younger commented that the British Government wished to see agreement between Israel and all the neighbouring States. Major Edward Legge-Bourke, Conservative, said that, speaking strictly for himself, he considered the de jure recognition of Israel to be the "most hideous betrayal of all those men who fought in Palestine."

MOVE WELCOMED
Cairo, Apr. 27.—The Egyptian statesman, Ismail Sidki Pasha today became the first Egyptian openly to support King Abdullah's act incorporating East Palestine into the Kingdom of Jordan, when he said here: "I believe the move is in accordance with the wishes of the East Palestine people."

He added: "These people took part in the recent elections, and now share in the conduct of affairs in an enlarged Jordan State."

Sidki Pasha also favoured a Jordan-Syria-Iraq union.

"The presence of a strong Arab country in the north and another (Egypt) in the south will deter Israel from further expansion," he declared.

Asked whether Jordan sought preliminary peace with Israel, Sidki Pasha said: "Peace with Israel would contribute towards political stability in the Middle East, and as such should be welcomed."—Reuter.

More Jews Leave Rumania

Bucharest, Apr. 27.—More than 800 Jewish emigrants will leave Rumania for Israel on Saturday on board a ship of the Sovrom Transport Line.

The last previous contingent of Rumanian Jews, numbering about 900, left for Israel on April 1.—Reuter.

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NEW ARTIFICIAL KIDNEY



A cellophane tube containing human blood passes through a salt bath mixture in this new artificial kidney at the Cleveland (Ohio) Clinic. Its developer, Dr. William J. Kolff, centre, is a Dutchman who recently joined the staff at the Clinic. Looking on are Dr. Irvine H. Page, left, Research Director, and Dr. A. C. Corcoran, Assistant Research Director. (Acme).

Siam Rejoices For King's Wedding

Bangkok, Apr. 27.—The 18,000,000 subjects of King Phumiphon Aduldet of Thailand will stage big rejoicings tomorrow when their King marries beautiful 17-year-old Princess Sirikit Kitiyakara, daughter of Prince Nakhath Kitiyakara, Thai Ambassador in London.

During the last few days rice farmers, merchants, bald-headed mendicants and aged Buddhist priests have been trooping into Bangkok to take part in nine days of celebrations.

King Phumiphon and his bride will be accompanied by a guard of security police—some of whom had very intimate connections with the Middle East—when they leave for their honeymoon at the Thai sea-side resort of Haubli to attend the King's coronation in Bangkok. He succeeded his brother, King Ananda Mahidol, victim of an assassin's bullet three years ago, but, meanwhile, has been studying law in Switzerland.

The wrappings around the gift were in traditional national colours of saffron, green and white.

That source pointed out that India's gift was particularly appropriate, because the ruling house had long patronised Indian brocades, which, are known in Thailand as "Eir Kachin". Kachin being an older name for the city of Bhamo—Reuter.

LIMITED NEWS

News of the wedding ceremony will be strictly limited, and photographs completely forbidden by the King's own command, but a special radio station has been set up at Haubli to broadcast daily about the honeymooners.

It is suggested here that the King and Queen may return to Switzerland very soon for a second honeymoon.

The date for the return will be chosen by Royal astrologers, who are reported to have chosen tomorrow as the most suitable day for the wedding and May 5 for the coronation.

A special envoy of King George VI visited King Phumiphon today to hand over the Royal Worcester dinner service for 30 persons which is the wedding present from Britain's King.

President Truman has given King Phumiphon a radio gram which the latest American electronic features.—Reuter.

INDIA'S GIFT

Bangkok, Apr. 27.—King Phumiphon today received in special audience India's Minister to Thailand, Mr. Bhagwat Dayal, who presented a wedding gift sent by the President of the Republic of India, Dr. Rajendra Prasad.

The Indian President's gift consisted of a pair of Benares brocade bedspreads, hand-embroidered in gold and silk.

The Indian authorities in Bangkok stated that the present was a particularly fine example

of the type of workmanship for which Benares, ancient centre of culture and handicraft, is famous.

In proferring the gift, Mr. Dayal assured King Phumiphon of the President's high personal regard, and his wish that the King might have a glorious, long and happy reign.

The gift was borne to the presentation on a silver salver carried by four Indian servants of the Bangkok Legation uniformed in white, with miniature national flags as shoulder insignia.

The British Foreign Office was asked yesterday to place the resolution before the British Parliament.—Reuter.

Browder Refutes Testimony Given By Louis Budenz

Washington, April 27.—Earl Browder, former boss of the American Communist movement said under oath today that Louis Budenz gave "false" testimony when he said Browder had termed Owen Lattimore a Communist.

Browder, testifying before the Senate Subcommittee, took direct issue with the statements made by Budenz about Lattimore last week before the same group.

Asked by the Committee's counsel, Edward Morgan, about Budenz's remark that Browder had told him "officially" that Lattimore was a Communist, Browder replied firmly: "I deny that categorically. It is false."

Budenz was editor of the Communist Daily Worker before he renounced Communism in 1945 and rejoined the Catholic Church.

Lattimore, a Far Eastern expert and Johns Hopkins University professor, has been accused by Republican Senator Joseph McCarthy of being a Communist spy.

Browder was purged from his post as general secretary of the United States Communist Party in 1946. He described himself today as "unemployed." His trip to Washington was financed by the Committee.

Morgan questioned Browder about the reported October 1947 meeting of Communist bigwigs, which Budenz said, Browder himself had "referred" to Lattimore as a Communist and lauded his services in placing Communist writers to sell the Party line on China to the American public.

"There was no such meeting," Browder said.

COMMUNIST CELL
Morgan then asked Browder about Budenz's testimony that a Communist "cell"—with Lattimore as an alleged member—operated around the Institute of Pacific Relations, with which Lattimore was associated. Browder said the Communists did not consider the use of the

Institute for selling the Party line practicable. He also swore that he did not know Lattimore, "never met him," and never had seen him.

Browder then went even farther under questioning, saying that Lattimore "was known to me as a person of anti-Communist views of a very decided and profound character."

When questioned about Frederick Vanderbilt Field, described by Budenz as the man who carried Communist Party instructions to Lattimore, Browder said: "I assumed that he (Field) was a Communist although I did not know. I wouldn't be able to say definitely. I met him under circumstances where we were co-operating, and I didn't ask him."

Field, who was a member of the Institute of Pacific Relations, has been described before Congressional committees as the financial angel for left-wing causes.

Lattimore was not present in the room when Browder testified. But McCarthy was. The testimony put the words of Budenz and Browder, once his boss in the Party, directly at odds. Perjury proceedings against one or the other are not impossible, since both testified under oath.—United Press.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE
Answers

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